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January 2nd, 1915.

Dr Colquhoun

The Department of Education

Toronto

My dear Dr Colquhoun:

Professor A. B. Baird, of Winnipeg, has asked me to have the record of his niece, Miss Leila Maxwell, looked up, and to write you a letter on her behalf. She is making application for work in connection with the tabulating of the results of the Mid-summer Examinations, and similar duties. He informs me that she is a young lady whose industry and fidelity can be absolutely relied on. Her record is as follows:- She entered the University by Senior Leaving Certificate, covering the subjects of Latin, English, German, French, Physics, Biology, Mathematics and Trigonometry. Last year was her First Year in Arts, in which she took the Course in English and History with the Moderns Option. Her average was 64%, and in the various subjects she had the following standing:- English 63, German 65, French 67, Latin 67, and History 50. You will see that she came within an ace of making Second Class Honours. Of course I cannot give her standing for the present year.

With kind regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

President

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ONTARIO

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Toronto, February 12th, 1915.

Dear Sir,-

I am directed by the Minister of Education to enclose for your consideration a copy of a letter which he has received from Principal Dolan, of the Oshawa High School, in regard to the presence of the objectionable song, entitled "Germany Over All", in the High School German Reader. This Reader, prepared by Professor A. E. Lang, of Victoria College, was approved in 1911 by the University of Toronto for the Matriculation Examination and authorized by the Minister of Education for use in the schools. The Minister, accordingly, asks the University of Toronto to take such action as it deems expedient on the question raised by Principal Dolan, and to communicate the result to the Minister at as early a date as it finds it convenient.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

President Falconer,

University of Toronto,

Toronto.

A. E. Lang

Deputy Minister of Education.

(Enclosure)

I got Lang's German Dept. will ask that the song be not repeated also that the book be destroyed for all future editions - I told the Dept. of Education that action would be taken to remove the situation

Copy.

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The High School,
Principal's Office.

Oshawa, Ont., Feb. 11th, 1915.

Mr. A. H. Colquhoun,
Deputy Minister of Education,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir, -

May I take the liberty of calling your attention to a matter which I think should be attended to at once. In the High School German Reader, among the selections for Third and Fourth Form students is included that German song which has enjoyed such prominence as the marching song of the German soldiers, I refer to the song entitled "Germany Over All."

As you know, this song is extravagantly lavish in its praise of Germanism and its whole tone, so bombastic at any time, appears to-day very much out of harmony with the line of teaching our pupils should receive. Our teacher of Moderns has found the teaching of this quite distasteful.

I do not wish to be classed among those who are engaged in the German hunt or those who seek notoriety through the newspapers, therefore, I take this way of privately bringing the matter to your attention. It would be a simple matter, I think, to have this poem and any other parts similarly tainted dropped from the work for the year.

Trusting that this will meet with your favourable consideration,
I am,

Yours respectfully,

(Sgd.) J. H. Dolan.

February 13th, 1915

A. H. B. Colquhoun, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Education,
Toronto.

Dear Sir:

I have just received a copy of the letter from Principal Dolan which you sent me in regard to the presence of a poem "Germany over all" in the High School German Reader. I will at once refer the matter to our committee, and see what may be done in regard to the collection of Principal Dolan.

Yours sincerely,

Fred C. H.

February 17th, 1915

A. E. M. Colquhoun, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Education,
Toronto.

Dear Mr. Colquhoun:

Mr. Bretner has communicated with Professor A. M. Lang and also with the Department of German in the University concerning the objection that has been taken to the presence of the song "Germany over all" in the High School German Reader. The German staff will ask that the song be not required, also that the plate be destroyed for all future editions. I hope that this will meet the difficulties of the situation.

Yours sincerely,

Fred Hunt.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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TORONTO,

March 9th, 1915.

Dear Dr. Falconer,-

I understand from Dr. Seath
that you have been good enough to communicate with certain
other Universities respecting the German Readers. Will
you kindly give me the names of these Universities for the
purposes of our official file. With kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

A. H. C. G. H. H.

President Falconer, C.M.G.,
University of Toronto,
Toronto.

March 10th, 1915

A. R. U. Colounoun, Esq., LL.D.,
Deputy Minister of Education,
Toronto.

Dear Mr. Colounoun:

I have written to Queen's University, McMaster University and the Western University asking them whether they will agree with us to recommend that the poem "Deutschland über alles" should be eliminated from the list of selections in the High School German Reader. I have had a letter or communication from each. Queen's and McMaster agree with us to recommend its elimination, but the Western University inform me that they have no meeting of Senate for some time, and they do not think the cause sufficient to call a special meeting of the Senate, and that meantime the Faculty were not favourable to taking any action in the direction mentioned.

I am, however, writing to the Secretary of the Matriculation Board asking him to send out a notification to the examiners to the effect that the selection will be omitted in accordance with the majority vote of the Universities.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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TORONTO,

March 22nd, 1915.

Dear Sir,-

I am directed by the Minister of
Education to enclose for your information copy of a communi-
cation which he has caused to be sent to the authorities
of Queen's University and McMaster University.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

A. H. C. Gough

Deputy Minister of Education.

The President,

University of Toronto,

Toronto, Ontario.

TORONTO,

March 22nd, 1915.

Dear Sir,-

I am directed by the Minister of Education to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th instant, and to state in reply that on his side he is more than willing to give every consideration that is consistent with the claims of the schools to those University students who intend to take part in the defence of the Empire and who will be candidates for teachers' certificates. He directs me, however, to point out to you that, as your proposal will involve modifications of an agreement as to Courses between your University and this Department, the details of such modifications should in each case be submitted to him for his approval. He also requests that in submitting the details you will be good enough to state whether the remission involves merely the examination or the Course as well.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

A. H. U. Colquhoun,

Deputy Minister of Education.

April 19th, 1915

Dr. A. F. U. Colahoun,
Deputy Minister of Education,
Toronto.

Dear Dr. Colahoun:

I have sent your letter to the Pursar and in reply have from him the enclosed letter setting forth the difficulty that there will be in keeping a separate account of supplies which will be required for each practical class. I imagine that it will be necessary to have a definite amount set aside, perhaps so much for so many students.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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May 3rd, 1915

Dr. A. H. N. Colquhoun,
Deputy Minister of Education,
Parliament Buildings, Toronto.

My dear Dr. Colquhoun:

I have called the Conference of Universities of the Dominion for tomorrow June the first, and there is likely to be a large attendance. I hope a number of participants will bring other recommendations with them, consequently I am not sure yet as to the number of delegates I expect. For some time I have considered the matter and have finally come to the conclusion that a dinner given by the Government would be an excellent way of recognizing the presence in Toronto of representatives from provincial institutions from all over the Dominion. It seems to me that such a dinner could be present and given in a room in which it would be most fitting to the gathering.

Yours sincerely,

President.

OFFICE OF
THE DEPUTY MINISTER.



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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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TORONTO,

May 6th, 1915.

Dear Dr. Falconer,-

In the absence of the Premier, who is laid up with a bad cold, I asked Dr. Pyne to bring before his colleagues your proposal for a dinner to be given by the Government to the members of the Conference of Canadian Universities which you propose calling. The Cabinet concurs in the proposal and will be glad to invite the visitors to dinner. When you reach definite arrangements, I shall be very glad to discuss with you and with Mr. Wallis, the Premier's Secretary, any points which require attention.

Yours sincerely,

A. H. C. Polguen

President Falconer, C.M.G.,
University of Toronto,
Toronto.

May 7th, 1915

Dr. A. B. C. Colbourne,
Parliament Buildings,
Toronto.

Dear Dr. Colbourne:

Many thanks for your letter in answer to mine
proposing that a dinner be given by the Government to the members
of the Conference of Canadian Universities. I shall be glad to
discuss the details with you before long.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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May 13th, 1915

Dr. A. H. G. Colquhoun,
Deputy Minister of Education,
Toronto.

Dear Dr. Colquhoun:

I regret that there has been delay in making final arrangements with the Department of Education in connection with the specialist certificate in Household Science. I have, however, discussed the matter with the President of the University and he informs me that everything has been completed except the formal approval of the courses which will be given at the Council of the Faculty of Arts and the Senate on Monday, May 17th.

I have also to give the details completed with regard to Pottery and Sewing in the first year of our new course in Household Science for the B.A. degree. I am taking steps immediately to get this through to a conclusion.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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TORONTO, May 31st, 1915.

Dear Sir,—

I am directed by the Minister of Education to request that the class rooms in the main Arts' Building which were used last summer for the Departmental examinations be again placed at his disposal for similar use this year. These rooms would be needed approximately for one month from Monday, June 30th.

If this arrangement is agreed to, kindly notify me to this effect and I will request the Registrar of the Department to confer with the Superintendent of Buildings at the University regarding the changes that will be necessary in the locks and seating.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

A. H. Colquhoun

Deputy Minister of Education.

R. A. Falconer, Esq., C. M. G., M.A., LL.D., D. Litt.,

President, University of Toronto,

T O R O N T O.

June 1st, 1915

Dr. A. H. U. Colahoun,
Deputy Minister of Education,
Parliament Buildings,
Toronto.

Dear Dr. Colahoun:

Will you kindly tell the Minister of Education that we shall be glad to place at his disposal the class rooms in the Main Building of the University for the Departmental examinations? I have spoken to the Superintendent of Buildings and if you will have the Registrar of the Department confer with him he will make the necessary arrangements.

Yours sincerely,

President.

